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## KING OF PRUSSIA MAN ARRESTED AFTER FOILED PLOT TO KIDNAP, RAPE AND MURDER ESTRANGED WIFE WHILE ACTIVE PFA IN EFFECT



**GEOFFREY KAY-CONWAY** 

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Nov. 20, 2023) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Upper Merion Township Police Chief Thomas Nolan announce the arrest of Geoffrey Kay-Conway Sr., 52, of the 600 block of Summit Street in King of Prussia, for Attempted Murder, Attempted Kidnapping and Attempted Rape, as well as other charges, related to an assault on his estranged wife on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023. The assault occurred while an active Protection From Abuse (PFA) Order was in effect.

The assault occurred at 10:45 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023, in the parking lot of the King of Prussia Walmart on North Gulph Road. Upper Merion Township Police responded to a 911 call for a domestic assault in progress with a male attacking a female in a Nissan Rogue. The police located the victim in the parking lot, after she had managed to escape her vehicle after her soon-to-be ex-husband, Kay-Conway, stabbed her in the leg multiple times. Police arrested the defendant in a nearby parking lot and found a large metal pick sticking out of his sweatshirt pocket and black zip ties in the shape of handcuffs. They also found a black duffle bag in a nearby pickup truck, which contained numerous items including a black pepperball gun with two magazines; three piercing tools, one with the victim's name written on it; a blindfold; duct tape; zip ties; knives, wire cutters, pliers and other tools; KY jelly;

a Court Order; and a manilla envelope that contained a note addressed to his brother.

The Court Order was issued after a PFA violation hearing regarding the defendant's stalking arrest on Oct. 31, 2023, which released the defendant on \$5,000 unsecured bail and notified the defendant of his next court appearance on Dec. 13, 2023. On the bottom of the judge's order, the defendant had written "...I Have 1.5 months to Kill that Bitch. Could have Killed her 17 times if i wanted. What a week system."

The two-page note contained in the sealed manilla envelope was written on orange paper and was labeled "read last". The note said: "Well by now Michelle and I are both dead. So there really is nothing to worry about. Listen tell everyone, there is nothing anybody could have done. Going down to (address redacted for victim's privacy) everyday almost everyday to observe her habits when she leaves work where she parks. On which days she goes to the passenger side before getting in on the drivers side. Her routes home. I even tried to let her see me a couple of times, not sure if she did or not. Depending where she parks, some days are more ideal than others. If I cant do it on an ideal day, it will happen the weekend before Thanksgiving somewhere around town. I just have to follow her Sat or Sun morning and grab her when she goes to her car going Store 2 Store, informing her if she screams, yells or tries to run that I will shoot her in the face. Not a day has gone by since she left that I didn't think about killing that bitch. ... So when I'm done rapeing that cunt I'll kill her. Am I Crazy, yes I am, and I told her not to Fuck with our family. That I am more than capable of doing some really bad shit. She totally underestimated me. I'm out. G"

The police investigation found that Kay-Conway had installed a tracking device on the victim's vehicle and that he followed her to the Walmart parking lot, where he assaulted her and attempted to abduct her on Sunday. Prior to the assault, the timeline was:

- On Sept. 28, 2023, a temporary PFA Order was applied for by the victim and granted by the courts;
- On Oct. 5, 2023, a final PFA Order was issued by the courts, which was in effect for one year, prohibiting Kay-Conway from any contact with the victim;
- On Oct. 20, 2023, the defendant stalked the victim through the streets of Upper Merion Township, stopping to yell and threaten her, in violation of the PFA;
- On Oct. 31, 2023, the defendant was charged with Indirect Criminal Contempt Hearing for violating the PFA, and following the court hearing, the defendant was released on \$5,000 unsecured bail.

"The most dangerous time for a victim of domestic violence is when she leaves her abuser. This victim worked to keep herself safe by obtaining a PFA and reporting the defendant when he violated the PFA by obsessively stalking her. Thankfully, bystanders intervened to help the victim yesterday," said DA Steele. "This case demonstrates just how dangerous domestic violence is, including stalking behavior. Laurel House and the Women's Center of Montgomery County are always available to help victims and those looking to leave an abusive relationship."

According to Laurel House, Montgomery County's comprehensive domestic violence agency, national statistics show that 81 percent of women who were stalked by a current or former husband/cohabitating partner were also physically assaulted by that partner and 31 percent were sexually assaulted. Laurel House can be reached 24/7/365 through a toll-free hotline 800-642-3150 or by texting "HOPE" to 85511.

Trained volunteers are able to provide information and help, which can include shelter, counseling and an array of services. Its website is www.laurel-house.org.

The Women's Center of Montgomery County can be reached 24/7/365 at its toll-free number 800-773-2424. Its website is www.wcmontco.org.

Kay-Conway is charged with Attempted Murder, Attempted Kidnapping, Attempted Rape, Aggravated Assault, Stalking, Unlawful Restraint, False Imprisonment, Possessing an Instrument of Crime and other related charges. He was arraigned Monday, Nov. 20, 2023, before Magisterial District Judge Denise Ashe, who denied bail. The defendant was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 12:30 p.m., Dec. 11, 2023, before Magisterial District Judge Patrick O. Krouse.

Approved for release: Kevin R. Steele

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